

## THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES KNOWN OR LIKELY TO OCCUR IN HARPER COUNTY, KANSAS

- **Arkansas Darter** (*Etheostoma cragini*) Threatened: Known to occur in the Chikaskia River. May occur in low salinity, spring-fed tributaries. *Critical habitat has been designated*. Federal Candidate.
- **Bald Eagle** (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) Threatened: Known to occur as an occasional winter visitant along larger streams and at large impoundments. Threatened nationally.
- **Checkered Garter Snake** (*Thamnophis marcianus marcianus*) Threatened: Known to occur in suitable habitat. Frequents margins of pools in streams and near small impoundments.
- **Eastern Spotted Skunk** (*Spilogale putorius interrupta*) Threatened: Known to occur historically and likely still occurs in suitable habitat. Prefers woodland edges, abandoned buildings, and brushy grasslands along streams.
- **Eskimo Curlew** (*Numenius borealis*) Endangered: Formerly occurred as a regular spring transient. Used overgrazed grasslands and bare fields. Has not been recorded in Kansas since 1902, but a few may still migrate through the state. Endangered nationally.
- **Least Tern** (*Sterna antillarum*) Endangered: Known to occur as a seasonal transient or occasional summer visitant along streams, lakes, and wetlands. Frequents bare sandbars and sparsely vegetated shorelines in streams and lakes. Endangered nationally.
- **New Mexico Blind Snake** (*Leptotyphlops dulcis dissectus*) Threatened: May occur in suitable habitat. This nocturnal snake frequents ant burrows and moist areas having loose soil or sand where rocks provide cover.
- **Peregrine Falcon** (*Falco peregrinus*) Endangered: May occur as a rare winter visitant near areas where waterfowl or other birds concentrate.
- **Piping Plover** (*Charadrius melodus*) Threatened: May occur as a rare seasonal transient at marshes or on sparsely vegetated shorelines of streams and lakes. Threatened nationally.
- **Snowy Plover** (*Charadrius alexandrinus*) Threatened: Known to occur as occasional seasonal transient or summer visitant near streams, wetlands, and impoundments.
- **Speckled Chub** (*Macrhybopsis aestivalis tetranemus*) Endangered: May occur in main stem of the Chikaskia River.

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- **Strecker's Chorus Frog** (*Pseudacris streckeri streckeri*) -Threatened: Known to occur in suitable habitat. Requires shallow pools of relatively unpolluted water where some aquatic vegetation is present and no predatory fish occur. *Critical habitat has been designated*.
- **Texas Longnose Snake** (*Rhinocheilus lecontei tessellatus*) Threatened: Known to occur in suitable habitat. Prefers semiarid grasslands with sandy soils and/or rocky outcrops.
- **White-faced Ibis** (*Plegadis chihi*) Threatened: May occur as an occasional seasonal transient or summer visitant at streams, wetlands, or impoundments.
- **Whooping Crane** (*Grus americana*) Endangered: Known to occur as an occasional seasonal transient. Endangered nationally.

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